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Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 5 Autumn Term Visits & Activities

As part of our focus on the Earth and Space this term, we have arranged a visit to the Science Museum on **Thursday 3rd November 2016**. During our visit, we will be exploring various aspects of human space travel as well as how the Earth moves in space. There will be numerous opportunities to view a range of exhibitions to hopefully inspire and enthuse the children about this topic. To finish off the visit, we will experience life on the International Space Station as the children are taken on a journey around our home planet through a fantastic 3D film experience. The children will see fantastic images of the Earth from the Space Station and gain a new understanding of how wonderful and unique our planet is; see the world light up at night and enjoy natural spectacles such as the Northern Lights from a unique viewpoint; and discover how the Earth is changing and how much power we have to protect it. All activities are included in the cost of the visit.

We will be leaving school promptly at 9.00am and will travel to the museum on the London Underground. Please ensure all children arrive at school by 8:45am as we will not be able to wait. We aim to be back at school by 3.10pm and will notify you via text if there is to be any change to this.

Children will need to be wearing their school uniform as normal and will need a warm, waterproof coat. The children will need to bring a packed lunch to school on this day, which should include a disposable water bottle (no glass bottles) – these should be sent **inside their backpacks** – this will ensure that your child has their hands free to keep themselves safe when walking or a handrail when using any staircase or escalator.

You are invited to make a voluntary contribution to cover the cost of your child taking part in the educational visits detailed above. The total cost of visits and activities for the Autumn term is **£6.00**. We confirm that the contribution represents our estimate of the costs shared equally amongst all pupils. No child will be excluded from the visit through an inability to pay, but if there are insufficient contributions then the visit may have to be cancelled. Please come and speak to us if you are having any difficulties in making this payment.

All contributions and permissions must be given via ParentPay by **Monday 3rd October 2016**.

We look forward to an exciting, enjoyable and informative trip.

Yours sincerely,

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Year 6 Teachers

Mitchell Baldock

Stephen O'Callaghan

